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TROY MAN SENTENCED FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF A FIREARM

TROY, NEW YORK – RICHARD S. ELY, age 27, of Troy, New York, was sentenced today to 63 months in prison by the Honorable Mae A. D'Agostino, announced United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian, Joseph Anarumo, Special Agent-in-Charge of the New York Field Division of the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and Police Chief Steven Krokoff of the Albany Police Department. The sentence follows ELY's February 18, 2013 guilty plea to illegally possessing a firearm.

On June 7, 2012, when executing a search warrant, police found a .22 caliber firearm and ammunition in ELY's residence. ELY, who had two prior felony convictions (a 2007 conviction for criminal sale of a controlled substance and 2012 conviction for aggravated driving while under the influence with a child under age fifteen as a passenger), was prohibited from possessing firearms.

This prosecution resulted from an investigation conducted by the Albany Police

Department and the United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives Albany

Field Office. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Wayne A. Myers.

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